REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending. By this Amendment, Claims 5-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to address the formal matters discussed in the Quayle Action. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is presented herein.

Withdrawal of Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. §103

Applicants appreciate the indication by the Examiner that the arguments presented by the Applicants in the Response filed on August 3, 2009 were deemed persuasive and that the rejection of Claims 1-2 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,428,918 asserted in the Office Action dated April 3, 2009, has been withdrawn.

Allowed Claims

Applicants respectfully acknowledge and appreciate the indication by the Examiner that Claims 1-4 are allowed.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing attorney docket number 107439-00112.

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